

## **PROJECT FACT SHEET**

### **Grassy Key Reconstruction Project**

FIN. No.: 405582-6-52-01

Beginning in mid-January 2009, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District Six, will begin a new project on SR 5 (U.S. 1/Overseas Highway) on Grassy Key (FIN: 405582-6-52-01) from west of Kyle Ave. (MM 57.4) to east of Blue Isle Blvd. (MM 59.9). This project will last approximately 14 months, weather permitting. The estimated cost of this project is \$6.3 million.

#### **Project Limits**

This project will take place on SR 5 (U.S. 1/Overseas Hwy) from MM 57.4 to MM 59.9 on Grassy Key.

#### Scope & Purpose of Work

The project will add a new center turn lane for improved traffic operations, re-surfacing and re-striping the roadway, constructing new facilities for storm water drainage, shoulder widening to include a ten-foot northbound paved shoulder, a five-foot paved southbound shoulder, and placing new sod along the edge of roadway shoulders.

#### **Maintenance of Traffic**

Two-way traffic will be maintained for this project during daylight periods. Should lane closures be required, they will be restricted to non-peak hours. Non-peak hours are 8:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. on Sunday evenings through Friday mornings. During lane closures, motorists will be guided through the work zone by warning signs, trained flagging personnel, barricades, and other safety devices.

During the construction period the speed limit will be reduced from 55 MPH to 45 MPH. In addition to the lane closure restriction described above, no lane closures will occur on Saturdays, Sundays before 8:00 p.m., or any holiday. No lanes will be closed on a Friday preceding a Saturday holiday or the Monday following a Sunday holiday. No existing lanes shall be closed during Keys special event dates as determined by the Engineer. The Engineer may adjust lane closure times if conditions warrant.

#### Timeline

The project is scheduled to begin in mid-January 2009, has a contract duration of 14 months, and is expected to be complete by Spring 2010. Please note, however, that this schedule and could be impacted by bad weather or other unforeseen circumstances.

#### **Hurricane Evacuation**

Should a hurricane or other event make evacuation necessary, the contractor will secure the work zone and make sure any travel lanes that can be reopened safely are cleared for traffic in order to facilitate evacuation efforts.

# Helpful hints to guide you safely through the work zone:

- Give yourself a little extra time to reach your destination.
- Drive the reduced posted speed limit (45 MPH) speeding fines are doubled in work zones.
- Follow all signs posted within the construction zone.
- · Obey flagmen and law enforcement officials.
- · Never drive or walk into a construction area.

#### **Public Information**

The Florida Department of Transportation will make every effort to announce traffic interruptions/lane closures prior to their occurrence. For more information, please contact the Public Information Specialist, Ashley Hoover at (305) 797-0962, Project Administrator, Felix Rodriguez at (305) 743-2574 or FDOT Project Manager, Charlie Phinizy at 305-289-6107. You may also visit our web site at www.fdotmonroe.com.

